GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2962
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DELINKING OF VADINAR AREA FROM PORT LIMITS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any final decision on the long standing request of the Government of Gujarat to delink Vadinar area from the port limits of the Kandla Port Trust and return it to the State Government;

(b) if so, by when it will be implemented; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to compensate the State Government of Gujarat for the commercial loss?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (c): Vadinar was included in the limit of Kandla Port after the Government of Gujarat issued notification deleting it from the limit of Minor Port of Salaya, while the Government of India issued notification for its inclusion in the limit of Kandla Port. By the said notifications issued by both the Governments, i.e., Government of India and Government of Gujarat, Kandla Port Trust has been vested with the jurisdiction of Vadinar Port and, thus, is under the administrative control of the Board of Trustees of the Port of Kandla. Since Vadinar is an integral part of the Kandla Port Trust, the request of Government of Gujarat to hand over the Vadinar Port to State Government cannot be agreed to and, therefore, the question of compensation to Government of Gujarat does not arise.